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The Cover . . .

Michele C. Saunders, first-place winner in the 1974 Christian Youth Witness Program, reads some of her poems which brought her honors during the Middle Atlantic Regional Conference held at New Windsor, Maryland, April 26-28.

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29—Michigan Convention, Kalamazoo

Concerned about Other

So much has been learned in a few years about our planet! We no longer begin to take for granted the photographs from outer space of our cloud cover and weather patterns. Facts continue to accumulate as to our environment and what we've done and continue to do to damage it.

Information pours in too about the poverty and need and famine in lands few of us will ever see. Some of the comfortable and well-fed turn away from such facts, seeking the world's diversions that will help them forget the misery of those unfed, unsheltered, unskilled—by all appearances, *unwanted* as our fellow humans, our neighbors on Planet Earth. Yet all of us, capable or dependent, cultured and ignorant, are God's children. Turn to the New Testament for that persisting message from the Master!

We are closer to God, humble partners of Jesus who went about doing good, as we pray, work, and give. We make more of God's children who are in body, better fitted for useful living, saved in Jesus Christ from selfishness and other sin.

—B.H.D.

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17. € WELTBUNDTAGUNG 1974 WORLD'S CONVENTION

17TH WORLD'S CHRISTIAN ENDEAVOR CONVENTION JULY 24-28, 1974, ESSEN, GERMANY

Preparations for the program for the Essen Convention are in the final stages. Sessions will be held at the modern Gruga Hall, which can seat over 9,000 delegates.

Each evening there will be a mass meeting. All sessions will be in two languages — German and English. There will also be some translation into Spanish.

The opening session Wednesday, July 24, will feature the keynote message by Dr. Clyde W. Meadows of the U.S.A., president of the World's Union. Rev. Arno Pagel, German Union president and World's Union vice-president, will preside. The convention theme is "Jesus Christ — Today and Forever. Jesus Christus — Heute und Ewig."

Thursday night's session will mark the 50th anniversary of the German Tent Mission program. Rev. Siegfried Geppert will preside, Rev. Siegfried Schaerer will speak, and Rev. Bruno Draeger and Mr. Geppert will report. The tent mission work in-

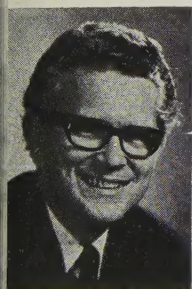
cludes a series of evangelistic missions in various parts of Germany each year.

The convention evangelistic meeting will be Friday night with Rev. Gerhard Horeld of Germany presiding and Rev. Rolf Woyke, field secretary of the German Union, speaking. The Christian Endeavor Society from Mainz, Germany, will make a dramatic presentation.

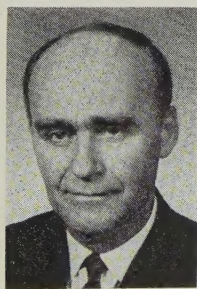
At the international missionary mass meeting Saturday night the presider will be Rev. Ernst Vatter of Germany. Speaking will be Dr. W. Stanley Mooneyham of the U.S.A., president of World Vision International. Dr. Mooneyham addressed the 1970 Convention in Canada and also spoke at the International Convention in St. Louis, Missouri, in 1971. The Seminary of the Liebenzell Mission will give a dramatic presentation.

There will be four mass meetings Sunday. The day begins with a communion service, Rev. Roger D. Vander Kolk, U.S.A., speaking. This will be followed by a worship service; speaker will be Rev. Ulrich Parzany, popular German youth evangelist. Rev. Martin Liedholz, general secretary of the German Union, will preside and the society of Duisburg-Hamborn will make a special presentation. There will also be six special worship services at churches in the Essen area, featuring convention leaders.

Sunday afternoon the emphasis will be on worldwide Christian En-



Dr. Mooneyham



Mr. Pagel

deavor with co-chairmen Dr. Meadows and Mr. Pagel in charge. Rev. Ulrich Weber of Germany and Rev. Andrew Wright of England will speak and youth from various countries will give testimonies. Highlight of the event will be the traditional Roll Call of Nations and the flag exchange.

The great closing convention session Sunday night will be chaired by Dr. Meadows with William J. Sharpe of England, Area II general secretary, assisting. Mr. Pagel will be the speaker. At this session the new World's Union officers for the 1974-78 quadrennium will be installed.

Many Activities

There is a full schedule of activities each day. After Bible study in four languages (English, German, Dutch, and Spanish), there will be conferences (also in four languages). The schedule of conferences for English-speaking delegates follows:

Thursday, July 25

Adult Section

1. Fellowship of Prayer —
Sister Francine van der Meer (The Netherlands)
2. Devotional Life —
Rev. Takashi Oku (Japan)
3. Youth Counselors —
Mary Moffitt (U.S.A.)

Youth Section

4. Christian Endeavor Essentials —
Frances M. Becker (U.S.A.)
5. Building the Christian Endeavor Program —
Rev. David G. Jackson (U.S.A.)

Friday, July 26

Adult Section

1. Christian Endeavor Essentials —
Bidyut K. Pramanik (India)
2. Christian Stewardship —
Lavern Billig (U.S.A.)
3. Christian Endeavor Committees —
Charles C. Meek (U.S.A.)

Youth Section

4. Evangelism —
Rev. Frederick J. Nile (Australia)
5. Christian Endeavor Committees —
Rev. George E. Bowden (England)

Saturday, July 27

Adult Section

1. Evangelism —

- Rev. Frederick J. Nile (Australia)
2. Christian Citizenship —
Clyde Sherk (Canada)
3. How to Lead —
Rev. John Anglin (Jamaica)

Youth Section

4. Christian Citizenship —
P. Raymond Bartholomew (U.S.A.)
5. How to Lead —
Alan J. Ramsey (England)

In the afternoons there will be opportunity to visit the Gruga Park which is adjacent to the Gruga Hall and enjoy the gardens, ride the miniature train, swim, etc. Villa Huegel the Krupp mansion, has an excellent exhibition of art from Mexico. Another local spot of interest is the Museum Folkwang.

There will also be sight-seeing tours Thursday and Friday afternoons, including a trip to the Bochum Planetarium, the Museum for Mining at Bochum, a city tour, and a boat trip to Duisburg Harbor. Friday afternoon many delegates will participate in open air meetings and in personal evangelism, inviting local people to the Friday evangelistic service.

Saturday afternoon there will be a special session chaired by Rev. Charles W. Barner of the U.S.A., World's Union general secretary, and William J. Sharpe, Area II general secretary with reports from countries around the world.

Many delegates will be housed in hostels or sleep on air mattresses in local gyms or halls. Others will stay in private homes or in hotels. Meals will be served in a large hall next door to the Gruga Hall, with all delegates joining together in fellowship.

It is anticipated there will be about 500 delegates from North America and 300 from other countries outside Germany, plus several thousand German Endeavorers coming from outside Essen for the whole convention and many others coming for sessions on Saturday and Sunday.



Entrance to Gruga Park, with Gruga Hall, site of convention sessions, in background.

REPORT OF ESSEN CONVENTION COMMITTEE

Counting the days until July 24, arranging registration forms in alphabetical order, filing documents and memos, discussing the same thing over and over again with someone who should have "gotten the message" long time ago—the preparation of Christian Endeavor World's Convention is composed of many things.

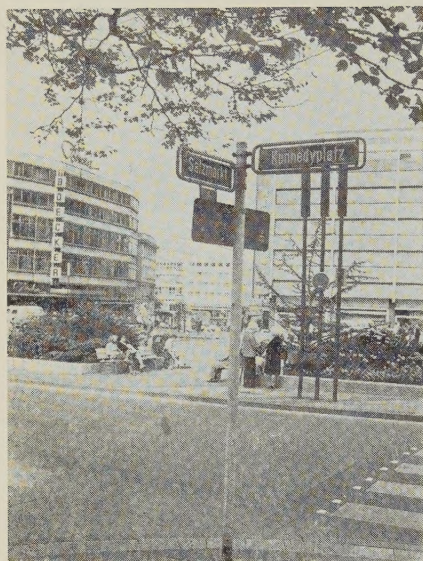
The exhilaration of triumph that you convinced your mother that this job "really needs to be done tonight" ("Sorry, but I can't stay for supper") and the agony of not having managed the assignment you had intended to finish are but two very small parts of the whole picture.

It all started several years ago when a group of Christian Endeavorers in Essen, Germany, heard the news that the World's Convention in 1974 was to take place in their city. "We have a lot of time" may have been the first reaction of several young people. But then they started working hard, as one can see in the convention office which was established a few months ago.

Several times a week the different organization committees which have

been formed meet in order to reach their goal: a well-organized convention. However, they all know that God's spirit—needed for hundreds of rather difficult decisions—cannot be "organized." The committee members realize that the convention cannot take place without major interferences if there are factors that interfere with their relation to the one they actually want to work for, their Lord Jesus Christ.

Being on one of the committees, you learn what it is to try that "little bit extra," to come back and try again until you get it right. For hours you have written letters, filed correspondence, telephoned to almost everyone one can think of, thought over your budget and counted the money, and just when you are ready to go home you realize that more work is waiting tomorrow. However, everyone works with a great deal of enthusiasm and personal commitment, for this is not going to be just any convention but an international Christian Endeavor conference under the theme "Jesus Christ—Today and Forever! Jesus Christus—Heute und Ewig!"



Kennedy Square in Essen

The convention office can be regarded as the "brains" of the event. Its members coordinate the activities of the different committees and wind up most of the business. One of their main concerns: "Registrations should be sent in as soon as possible. Bookings from our friends abroad are expected with a special degree of eagerness."

The committee for advertising and information is the link between the convention office with its different committees and the public. Civic and church organizations have to be communicated with, the press needs information. Poster publicity, the printing of folders and convention manuals are only a few among many other assignments of this group.

The committees for accommodation and catering try to assure everyone a comfortable and pleasant stay in Essen. They provide for mass accommodation (most of the young people sleep on air beds which are spread on the floors of classrooms and gyms),

but older people can also book private or hotel accommodation. About 4,000 staying guests are expected for the entire convention; for the week-end the convention committee is even reckoning with 8,000 guests. Several thousand participants need a lot of food; and so far it was not the only job of these committees to calculate that if you row up all potatoes needed during the convention you get a line of four miles!

Traffic and transportation have to be coordinated by another committee. Its members are planning bus trips for foreign visitors and also provide for tourist guides who speak foreign languages (especially English).

The organizing committee and their team of about 60 stewards have to do all those jobs nobody has done so far—but which are needed to be done.

There is a difficult task for the financing team: to keep costs down and still have enough money to pay for all the expenses. Last but not least, several other groups have started their preparations for the convention like the youth choir (a record has already been produced and can be bought in Essen), the band, the team of interpreters and guides, and the group of spiritual counselors.

Several other groups and individuals will contribute to the convention which takes place in the Gruga Hall, one of Germany's biggest convention halls. But if the convention is only the celebration of a big religious festival, all the preparation work is not worthwhile.

Only God Himself—through His Son, Jesus Christ—can make the preparation and realization of the 17th World's Christian Endeavor Convention complete.



MIDDLE ATLANTIC Endeavorers at the banquet head table (above) included (from left) London Funny, Golden Rule president; Robert Gibson, Maryland president; Richard Throp, speaker; Oreon E. Fields, West Virginia president; Herbert Wilson, toastmaster; Alfred L. Saunders, vice-president in charge of the Middle Atlantic Region; Tracey Matthews, song leader; Janet Hendricks, New York State representative; Dr. LaVerne H. Boss, International Society president; and Joyce Flynn, registrar.

BANQUET SPEAKER was Richard Throp, who gave an inspiring message in music and song. Mr. Throp has been helping promote Christian Endeavor in Maryland; he has recently moved to Hanover, Pennsylvania.

Maryland Hosts Conference

Endeavorers of the Middle Atlantic region met April 26-28, 1974, at New Windsor Service Center, New Windsor, Maryland, for the annual regional conference. Theme was the current biennial theme, "Power to Become." The conference began Friday evening with a song service led by a local youth group, "The Fruit of the Spirit." After a coffee hour Gordon McMordie, general secretary of the Pennsylvania Union, led a closing Quiet Hour period.

Saturday's program included devotions led by the Golden Rule Union, followed by a series of conferences with youth and adults meeting in

separate sections. Conference titles were "Power in Prayer," "Power in the Word," and "Power to Overcome." A general conference on "Power to Improve" was held after lunch.

After recreation, delegates enjoyed the banquet with Richard Throp bringing a message in song. The day ended with recreation, movies, a talk time, and dorm devotions.

Sunday morning's schedule included a discussion period on the International Society led by Dr. LaVerne H. Boss, president; worship and communion directed by Rev. George Flynn; and a closing friendship circle led by Alfred Saunders.

Prize-Winning Poem

JESUS SAID

*Jesus said,
Love thy neighbor as thy friend.
Treat them as they were your hi*

*Jesus said,
Do to others as you have them c
to you,
For that my friends is the Golde
Rule.*

*Jesus said,
When someone you know wants t
fight,
say, "No, my friend, that isn
right."
When on you they want to beat,
Simply turn the other cheek.*

*Jesus said,
Thou shall not steal,
Nor shall you kill.
The ten commandments must y
follow,
this goes for all . . . red, whit
black and yellow.*

*Do what Jesus had to say,
that you may be happy day by day,
that your life may be long and fre
just be what Jesus wants you to b*

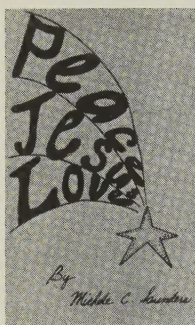
GOD BE WITH YOU

*God be with you,
through the journey of your life.*

*God be with you,
through the world and all its stri*

*God be with you,
when things are going all righ*

*God be with you
each day and each night.*



HEAR ME, DEAR GOD

*Hear me, Dear God
Hear me today.
Help me to do the right things
in the right way.*

*Touch me, Dear God
with Thy loving power.
Stay with me, Dear God
every minute and every hour.*

*Lead me on, Dear God
by Thy almighty hand.
Help me to find someday
the real promised land.*

*Love me, Dear God
with Thy love untold.
Keep me, Dear God
as a sheep in a fold.*

*Go with me, Dear God
I can't make it alone.
I need you, Dear God
to lead me on.*

*Keep me, Dear God
All through the night.
Help me to see the morning light.
Help me always to follow Thy path,
so that I may live in peace and rest.*

Amen

Michele Saunders

These poems by the top individual winner in the 1974 Christian Youth Witness program were included in a book which she sold to raise money for Africa famine relief. Her project won for this 16-year-old an award of \$200.

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THE VICTORY

*I started out in last place,
was sad and so forlorn.
What a dreadful way to start the
day,
in such a beautiful morn.*

*Then something told me to have
confidence,
it must have been the Spirit.
It seemed to say over again and again,
"You know that you can do it."*

*My feet seemed to move forward,
along with the voice that I heard,
and to my astonishment I was
not last but third.*

*Moving out ahead
the finish line I could see,
and the least I expected
was the VICTORY I received!*

PRAY FOR PEACE

*Pray for PEACE
and let Jesus be your guide
with all the fighting and the wars,
there must be another side.*

*Pray for LOVE,
united together in joy,
let the peace of Jesus fill
the heart of every girl and boy.*

*Pray for UNITY
may the world united stay,
with the Savior, the King of Kings.
The Truth and the Way.*

TOMORROW'S DREAM

*A dream for a better world,
I have today,
that will change the course of the
world in a dramatic way.*

*I dream of Blacks and Whites
trusting each other,
coming together as Sister
and Brother.*

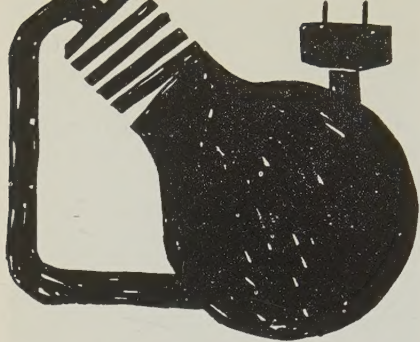
*I dream of peace throughout
the land,
folks spread across the globe
hand in hand.*

*I dream of walking down
the streets,
not afraid of being mugged
or beat.*

*I dream of men stopping the wars,
and then agreeing on what's
mine is yours.*

*I dream that all dope peddlers
be caught,
and the war on dope finally
be fought.*

*Yes, I dream of things I've never seen,
things I hope to see,
and someday I even hope to have
my dream a reality!*



HOW IS YOUR POWER SUPPLY?

The power of the Word of God is being tapped by youth as they participate in Christian Endeavor's 1974 Bible Reading Program. The emphasis is on reading the Bible through in a year. Copies of THE WAY, the teen-age edition of THE LIVING BIBLE, are offered to any young person who sends a \$2 contribution to the International Society. Several thousand copies have already been distributed, with requests coming in daily.

"We would like to take advantage of your offer to secure copies of THE WAY for the entire High School Department," writes one youth pastor. "Enclosed you will find the names and addresses of 66 high school youth, as well as the names of three younger scholars who expressed a desire to also have a copy of this paperback edition of THE LIVING BIBLE."

This Evangelical Congregational pastor continues, "Following the Lenten Season this year we will be launching an in-depth Bible Study as part of our Spiritual Growth pro-

gram for the youth of our High School Department during midweek service and Christian Endeavor. We thought it would be most impressive to make the initial distribution during a Christian Endeavor service."

A young lady in Pennsylvania writes, "This past week I was given the privilege of seeing over 100 young people and adults give their lives to our Lord Jesus Christ. Of all these people twenty of them ride the high school and elementary bus I drive. Also, ten ride my mother's bus. I would like to place an order for 31 Bibles (THE WAY) for these young people."

The letter continues, "I am so thankful for this offer of these Bibles at such a low price because some of these youth never attend a church let alone own their own Bible. I feel that God has truly blessed us here in this community and that God has presented me with a challenge to do my best in encouraging these youth in their faith."

A Christian Endeavor counselor in a United Methodist Church writes "Please send 50 copies of THE WAY at once! The response has been tremendous in our church! A few of our youth have THE WAY and others want to take advantage of your wonderful offer."

Encourage young people to secure copies of THE WAY and read the Bible daily to enrich their lives. Encourage groups to read the Bible daily as individuals and then share with each other what they have read and what it means to them personally. The International Society is ready to send a copy of THE WAY to any young person under 25 years of age who sends a \$2 gift with his name, address, and age. Reading the Bible is exciting because it reveals God's will!

More Popular than Sex or Diets

The best-selling book of the year 1973 was not a sex book. It was not a diet book. It was a Bible: THE LIVING BIBLE, to be exact. Although sales records indicate the book-buying public bought millions of diet and sex books, THE LIVING BIBLE was again the #1 hardback best seller.

This is the second year running that THE LIVING BIBLE has moved into the rarified number one best seller slot. Seven million copies were sold during 1973.

"The average person's need to understand the Bible has contributed to the phenomenal sale of THE LIVING BIBLE," observed Dr. Taylor.

Modern Bible Gets Catholic Approval

THE LIVING BIBLE has been released in a Catholic edition. The announcement was made recently by Father Albert J. Nevins, editor-in-chief and director of publishing of OUR SUNDAY VISITOR.

OUR SUNDAY VISITOR is co-publisher with Tyndale House of the Catholic edition of THE WAY, the paperback youth edition of THE LIVING BIBLE.

Father Keith Clark, O.F.M. Cap., in his preface to the new Catholic edition states, "Most readers of the Bible who choose this translation will be looking for spirit and life from the Word of God. We rejoice in our chance to encourage and help those who approach the Scriptures for this reason. We caution those who wish to engage in theological disputes not to do so in this volume. But we gladly join in cooperation with all those whose sincere interest is to make the Word of God available in a truly American style."

New Languages and Dialects

Twenty-six languages and dialects in which the Scriptures were pub-

lished for the first time in 1973 brought the Scripture language count to 1,526.

Statistics compiled by the United Bible Societies show that since the invention of printing in the middle of the 15th century to December 31, 1973, at least one complete book of the Bible has been printed, by various organizations, in 1,526 languages or dialects. The new total is an increase of 26 over the previous year.

Complete books of the Bible were published in 25 new languages or dialects in 1973. They ranged from Acha'ana, spoken in Peru, to Yakurr, spoken in Nigeria. Publishers included Bible Societies and six other organizations.

Kewa: West, a dialect which is spoken in Australia, was the 26th new language. It made its debut in the language count as a complete New Testament.

The United Bible Societies, a worldwide fellowship of 56 national Bible Societies, carries on its work in more than 150 countries and territories.

The American Bible Society currently is assisting the work of translation or revision of the Scriptures in 500 languages or dialects — involving approximately 3,000 translators in various parts of the world.

Founded in 1816 with the threefold purpose of translating, publishing, and distributing the Scriptures, without doctrinal note or comment, the American Bible Society, in recent years, has taken the lead in the production of common-language versions of the Scriptures throughout the world.

In September 1966 the American Bible Society published GOOD NEWS FOR MODERN MAN, the New Testament in Today's English Version, which currently has a circulation figure in excess of 43 million copies. The complete Bible in Today's English Version will be published in 1976.

NEWS

Short Terms Abroad

The OPPORTUNITIES 1974 directory lists 16,800 short-term mission jobs. Short Terms Abroad is a non-profit agency serving over 163 mission boards. It was founded in 1965 by Dr. Kenneth N. Taylor as an informational service agency. The STA program is geared to students, craftsmen, professional people, and retired persons. Length of service varies—the average short term is one year, but some have stayed only a few weeks and others two years or more.

Free copies of the OPPORTUNITIES 1974 directory are available on request from Short Terms Abroad, P.O. Box 575, Downers Grove, Illinois 60515.

Data File for Decision-Makers

"The work I don't have to do, at age 77, includes putting out my own four-page newsletter in single-spaced, elite-sized typescript," states Bert B. Davis, Utica, New York, in HARVARD'S MAGAZINE, January 1974.

Mr. Davis, associate editor of THE CHRISTIAN ENDEAVOR WORLD, explains further: "I call my adaptation of significant and timely topics *Data File for Decision-Makers*." He circulates his compilation of current items twice a month, except in July and August. "My mail shows that my sampling of what I've recently read and found significant is gratefully received," concludes Mr. Davis.

A Christian Endeavor Romance

This "once-upon-a-time" true story began on Valentine Day 1937. In the February 14 issue of THE LOOKOUT, editor Guy P. Leavitt announced a competition to select the Christian church young man and woman who achieved the most outstanding success in church work in the previous year; the winners were to attend the International Christian Endeavor Convention in Grand Rapids, Michigan, in July 1937.

After much publicity and promotion, which brought 224 nominations, the announcement was made: "Missouri Girl and Pennsylvanian Win Trip—Miss Donna Chappell and Ronald Keeler are now attending International C. E. Convention." In the July 11 issue Dr. Leavitt said, "Also at Grand Rapids are Miss Mildred Welshimer, conference leader . . . and Mrs. Leavitt, who will see to it that nothing is left undone that might contribute to the happiness of these two young people while they are there." Mrs. Leavitt must have done her work well because Miss Christian Endeavor of 1937 and Mr. Christian Endeavor of 1937, who met in Grand Rapids, exchanged correspondence, dated, became engaged, and were married in 1943.

Mr. Keeler, who heads the department of English and journalism at Strathmore (California) Union High School, has written topics for YOUTH CE MEETINGS. Recently Jay Sheffield, current editor of THE LOOKOUT, announced that Rachel York, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ronald Keeler and wife of Max York, is now on the staff of THE LOOKOUT.



ENDEAVORERS IN ACTION

Personalia

Congratulations to *Richard Powell*, Youth Assembly chairman, who was married April 26 to *Susan Schneider* of the Riverside Community (Reformed) Church, Cleveland, Ohio, where both are members. The Powells honeymooned in Hawaii. Dick is chairman of the Youth Assembly and a member of the Executive Committee of the International Society. Best wishes for a long and happy life together.

Mrs. Arch J. McQuilkin is making good recovery from her auto accident; we hope you will soon be completely well, Helen.

Linda Mills of Oregon City is the new president of Oregon Union, succeeding *Dennis Bartoldus*. Washington State Union's new prexy is *Philip Ssink* of Yakima; *Debbie Travis* is the outgoing president.

Get "Oregonized"!

Endeavorers from Oregon are urging that everyone get "Oregonized" as preparations are made for the 3rd International Christian Endeavor Convention to be held June 30-July 4, 1975, in Portland. Most convention sessions will be held at beautiful Lewis and Clark College, where delegates will be housed.

Register now by sending \$10 to International Society Headquarters, Columbus, Ohio.

How in the World?"

Latest addition to the American Church Growth series, prepared by *r. Paul Benjamin* of Lincoln Christian Seminary, Lincoln, Illinois, is *How in the World?* This new book is designed to help a congregation with the "how" of evangelism in a community. Dr. Benjamin expects to open

a National Church Growth Research Center in Washington, D.C., this summer. He was one of the speakers at the 1972 Executives' Program Council and at the Evansville Convention in 1973.

EXPLO '74

When EXPLO '74, sponsored by Campus Crusade for Christ International, convenes August 13-18 in Seoul, Korea, it is anticipated that 300,000 registered delegates will participate and that one million or more will attend some meetings.

New Helps for Societies

Beginning with the Summer 1974 quarter, a completely new series of topics and helps is being provided to Christian Endeavor societies. The International Society of Christian Endeavor is sending without charge quarterly packets to all groups in its records. Topics and other items are printed on 8½" x 11" paper and punched to fit a three-ring notebook. The materials are color-coded for ease of filing.

These new resource materials replace the JUNIOR CE MEETINGS and YOUTH CE MEETINGS quarterlies, which discontinued publication with the Spring 1974 issue.

Editing the new materials is Rev. David G. Jackson of Huntington, Indiana. The contents were determined by the Educational Committee of the International Society and members are selecting and preparing the items to be included.

Use the coupon on the back cover to add the name of your society or youth group to the mailing list for these new helps. This is a service of Christian Endeavor International.

TEST YOUR SOCIETY

1. Confession of Christ — How long has it been since a personal testimony has been given? Are Endeavorers encouraged to speak about what the Lord has done for them? Do you wear your Christian Endeavor pin? At work or school, does everybody know you are a Christian? What about your Christian Endeavor program: is it Christ-centered or self-centered? When did you last speak about Jesus?

ACTION

3. Loyalty to Christ's Church — Does every Endeavorer show sincere concern for his local church work? What was your last church activity project? Regular attendance at church is a **must** for your membership. Do you stand behind your minister and give him every assistance? Is an active part taken by Christian Endeavorers in church services? Remember: Christian Endeavor is FOR CHRIST AND THE CHURCH.

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2. Service for Christ — Do you make yourself available when your services are required? What percent of your income do you give to the Lord? Are you helping those in need without expecting any reward? What service has your Christian Endeavor society done for the local community? How much aid is given to denominational and faith missions? Jesus gave all — how much will you give?

POWER

4. Fellowship with Christ's People — How regular are members in attendance? When did you last exchange with another society? Have you ever arranged a Christian Endeavor breakfast, lunch, or banquet? There should be no cliques; do you work as a team? Do you support local, state, regional and international activities? Are new or prospective members made welcome? Does brotherly love continue? Jesus welcomed all — black, yellow, sinner, saint; how about you?

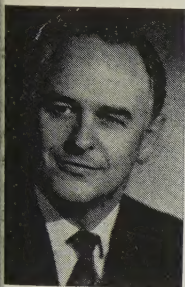
DOES IT MEASURE UP?

LOOK AT IT THIS WAY...

LET'S EMPHASIZE SERVICE

International Society of Christian Endeavor

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Hi! I am glad that you receive a copy of THE CHRISTIAN ENDEAVOR WORLD; however, I am more delighted that you have picked it up and are looking through it. Hopefully, you have read many of the items of interest.

All of us in Christian Endeavor are anxious to have you as one of our readers. Maybe you have an idea how we might improve this publication. If you do, why not jot me a note or write directly to Miss Phyllis I. Rike, Editor, THE CHRISTIAN ENDEAVOR WORLD, P.O. Box 1110, Columbus, Ohio 43216. Too frequently Christian publications are tossed aside and never read; we would like to reverse this trend. We need your help and suggestions.

Over the years in this publication we have tried to give insight into the various activities of Christian Endeavor on the North American continent and around the world. True to past tradition, a majority of our efforts have been directed toward youth, as this is the basic reason Christian Endeavor had its beginning. For 93 years, since 1881, this movement has placed a major emphasis and a substantial part of its budget on the winning of young people for Jesus Christ and training them for service.

Sure, there are many adults around and many adults are involved in Christian Endeavor activities at all levels. But let's face it (I too am one of these adults), the direct recipients of our efforts should be the *young people*.

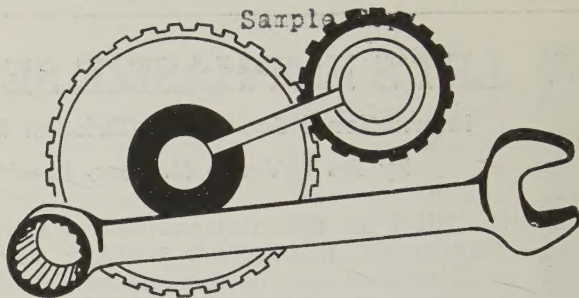
Let's emphasize Christian service this summer. School is out, and millions of youth will have leisure time. Possibly you are one of these young people. It is so easy to do nothing, or to do just those things that satisfy self. Hopefully, your summer will not be aimless. Maybe you will be able to rise above personal interests or personal gain, and develop some definite plans for service to others.

I challenge you to give that service to Jesus Christ, your Lord and Saviour, and to the work of His Church. Why not make plans to give part of each day and each week to Him?

This service can take many avenues. It might be a word of kindness to a stranger, a visit with a shut-in, an invitation to a Christian Endeavor meeting or to your church, a loving or a helping hand to a neighbor. You will have a better summer if you will look beyond yourself and see others. Life can be full and rewarding in love, service, and devotion to Him.

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